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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT SEATTLE

GREGORY McNEILL and WILMA ARMER, individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated,

Plaintiff,

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OPENMARKET, INC., a Michigan corporation, SPRINT SPECTRUM, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, NEXTEL WEST CORPORATION, a Delaware corporation,

Defendants.

SPRINT SPECTRUM L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, and NEXTEL WEST CORP., a Delaware corporation,

Cross-Claimants,

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OPENMARKET, INC., a Michigan corporation,

Cross-Defendants.

No. 2:08-cv-01731-RSL

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Defendants, Cross-Claimants, and Cross-Defendants Sprint Spectrum L.P. and Nextel West Corp. (collectively, "Sprint"), by their undersigned counsel, hereby respond to the Stipulated Request to Stay

Proceedings Pending Settlement Negotiations ("Stipulated Request to Stay"), D.E. #93, filed on January 27,

2010, by Plaintiffs Wilma Armer and Gregory McNeill ("Plaintiffs") and Defendant, Cross-Claimant, and

Cross-Defendant OpenMarket, Inc. ("OM"). Sprint is not a party to the Stipulated Request to Stay, nor was

Sprint informed that the Plaintiffs and OM intended to file the Stipulated Request to Stay.

First, Sprint is not involved in the settlement negotiations with Plaintiffs and OM. Second, Sprint does not oppose a stay of the Plaintiffs' action against Sprint and OM while the Plaintiffs and OM explore settlement between them. Third, although the proposed order should be read to apply only to prosecution of "Plaintiffs' case against Defendants," it also refers ambiguously to a stay of "these proceedings." Sprint objects to any stay which would apply to the action between Sprint and OM on the

cross-claims.

Through December 31, 2009, Sprint has incurred attorneys' fees and costs of \$362,646.17 in this case, and Sprint is currently seeking reimbursement of that amount from OM in accordance with Sprint's Motion for Reimbursement of Attorneys' Fees and Costs ("Sprint's Motion"), D.E. #86. OM filed its Opposition to Sprint's Motion on January 19, 2010, D.E. #92, claiming that OM owes zero to Sprint under \$\ 10.2\ \text{ and } 13.3\ \text{ of the Messaging Application Services Agreement. Sprint's Reply will be filed on January 29, 2010, at which time Sprint's Motion will be fully briefed and under advisement. Sprint therefore urges the Court that any stay entered pursuant to the Stipulated Request to Stay, filed by Plaintiffs and OM but not Sprint, should not apply to Sprint's Motion.

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